



MEMORANDUM
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Agenda Item No. 4 (A)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Sally A. Heyman
and Members, Intergovernmental,
Recreation & Cultural Affairs Committee

DATE: June 15, 2005

FROM: Kay M. Sullivan
Director, Clerk of the Board Division

SUBJECT: Approval of Commission
Committee Minutes

The Clerk of the Board's office is submitting the following Clerk's Summary of Minutes for approval by the Intergovernmental, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Committee:

May 11, 2005

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CLERK'S SUMMARY OF Meeting Minutes

Intergov., Recreation & Cultural Affairs Cmte.

Sally A. Heyman (4) Chair; Dennis C. Moss (9) Vice Chair; Commissioners Carlos A. Gimenez (7), Barbara J. Jordan (1), Natacha Seijas (13), and Javier D. Souto (10)

Wednesday, May 11, 2005

9:30 AM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Members Present: Carlos A. Gimenez, Barbara J. Jordan, Dennis C. Moss, Natacha Seijas, Sen. Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: Sally A. Heyman.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

1A INVOCATION

1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1C**ROLL CALL**

Report: *In addition to the Committee members present at today's meeting, the following staff members were present: Assistant County Managers Alex Munoz, Bill Johnson and Tony Crapp; Assistant County Attorneys Monica Maldonado, Gerry Heffernan and Diamela Del Castillo; and Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens and Judy Marsh.*

Assistant County Attorney Monica Maldonado advised that items 1F3, 1H1 Substitute, 3F, 3G, 3H and 3I were added to today's agenda and items 3C and 5D were withdrawn. She noted Chairwoman Heyman indicated that she would prepare a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners Chairman Joe A. Martinez waive the Board's rules and procedures to allow items 3F, 3G, 3H and 3I to be placed on the May 17, 2005 County Commission agenda.

Vice-Chairman Moss requested that agenda item 3C be withdrawn later in the meeting to allow a member of the public to speak on the proposed resolution.

In response to Commissioner Seijas' inquiry, Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz stated item 5D was withdrawn at the request of Commissioner Heyman.

Commissioner Seijas asked that item 5D not be withdrawn until the Committee heard from Mr. Joe Rasco, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs.

It was moved by Commissioner Jordan that the Committee approve the foregoing changes to the May 11, 2005 Intergovernmental, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Committee meeting agenda. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Seijas, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 5-0, (Chairwoman Heyman was absent).

1D**INTERGOVERNMENTAL REPORT(S)**

1D1

051319 ReportINTERGOVERNMENTAL UPDATE BY
JOE RASCO, DIRECTOR***Presented***

Report: *Mr. Joe Rasco, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, stated that a report on the 2005 Legislative Session would be presented at the May 17, 2005 County Commission meeting. Concerning the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process, Mr. Rasco noted an announcement would be made by Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld on Friday (5/13) as to whether or not Homestead and Southcom were on the list of bases to be closed.*

Vice-Chairman Moss emphasized the importance of Miami-Dade County supporting other counties to ensure that all of the bases throughout the State of Florida remained open and off the closure list. He said he was hopeful that Miami-Dade County was not on the list for closure, and he thanked Mr. Rasco and the County's consultants for their efforts in Washington.

Mr. Rasco pointed out that there were 21 bases within the State of Florida. He also noted some of the County's partners included the Miami-Dade Defense Alliance, an affiliate of the Florida Defense Alliance, the Beacon Council, the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce and affiliated cities including the cities of Homestead and Doral. He thanked all of the County's partners for their participation in this issue, and he commended the cities for working with the County.

Vice-Chairman Moss thanked the cities of Doral, Homestead and Florida City and the business community for their assistance regarding the base closures.

Commissioner Seijas asked that Mr. Rasco's final report on the 2005 Legislative Session to be presented at the May 17, 2005 County Commission meeting include the deadlines for the Governor's veto of issues in that report.

1E**DISCUSSION ITEM(S)**

1F PRESENTATION(S)

1F1

051353 Special Presentation

PRESENTATIONAL OVERVIEW OF THE FILM &
ENTERTAINMENT DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES BY
JEFF PEEL

Presented

Report: *Mr. Jeff Peel, Director, Miami-Dade Mayor's Office of Film and Entertainment, provided an overview of the department's marketing initiatives and results. He said the Office received approximately \$75,000 of County funding for marketing initiatives and with those funds, defined partnerships that allowed for the expansion of its marketing efforts. Mr. Peel noted the Beacon Council had entered into a long-standing arrangement to provide \$75,000 in marketing support and staff was working with the Beacon Council and had developed a good relationship with the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau (GMCVB) which had resulted in additional marketing support and partnerships with the cities of Miami and Miami Beach. This year, the \$75,000 allocated by the County was converted into over \$250,000 in marketing expenditures, he noted. Mr. Peel said marketing accomplishments included changing the Office Logo to FilMiami.org; and the launching of the Black Book, a locations resource guide for filming crews, which was underwritten by the Beacon Council and the GMCVB.*

1F2

051295 Special Presentation

THE ART OF STORYTELLING (Library Department)

Presented

Report: *Ms. Lucrece Louisdhon-Louinis, Miami-Dade Library Department, provided an overview of the Art of Storytelling, an international outreach program composed of an international exchange, storytelling seminars for professional librarians, educators, storytellers and parents; and an international storytelling festival in Miami. She noted teams of storytellers from Miami-Dade County Public Library System would be traveling to Haiti, Trinidad & Tobago, Puerto Rico and the Bahamas, and the library professionals from these countries would be visiting Miami-Dade County May 15, 2005 to May 22, 2005. Ms. Louisdhon-Louinis invited the community to the Library's fourth Annual Family Day Festival to be held Saturday, May 21, 2005, 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Main Library.*

Commissioner Seijas commended the Library Department for the Art of Storytelling Outreach Program and other successful programs offered in the branch libraries.

Commissioner Seijas requested that the Library Department Director explore the feasibility of applying for Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding through the United Nations to fund the Art of Storytelling program. Vice-Chairman Moss asked that Ms. Louisdhon-Louinis contact Commissioner Seijas' staff to find out how to apply for NGO funding.

Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz noted he would ask individuals from the Office of Strategic Business Management to work with the Library Department on applying for grant funding for this program.

1F3

051419 Special Presentation**Dennis C. Moss**

PRESENTATION RE: PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
OUTLINING HOW PERFORMING ART CENTERS
TYPICALLY FUNCTION AS BUSINESSES IN THEIR
COMMUNITIES

Presented

Report: *Mr. Michael Hardy, representing the Performing Arts Center (PAC) Trust, provided an overview of how performing art centers typically functioned as businesses in their communities. He discussed the operation of resident companies which he noted were primarily in large, well-established arts organization with a substantial history and substantial budget. Mr. Hardy said approximately 30 performing art centers nationwide had a formal relationship with resident companies, and these companies were often the driving force behind the creation of the centers. The resident companies typically had very large donor bases and usually received some form of schedule and rental privileges in exchange for the volume of time they booked in the center and their contribution of private funds towards the construction of the performing art centers. Mr. Hardy said resident companies typically also brought a large audience base to help support the performing art centers.*

Commissioner Souto requested that an outreach and public awareness campaign be initiated to educate the Spanish community on how the funds were expended for the Performing Arts Center (PAC) Construction Project.

Vice-Chairman Moss concurred with Commissioner Souto's request. He noted the community needed to be apprised that the County had addressed the problems concerning the PAC construction and the Project would be successful.

Commissioner Seijas stated that while she had not been supportive of the PAC, she was supportive of its completion and construction of the project seemed to be proceeding on schedule. She noted a performing art center was constructed in the Hialeah area and there were similar plans for South Miami-Dade County.

Vice-Chairman Moss congratulated Commissioner Seijas and staff for their efforts regarding the Hialeah performing art center project, and noted he looked forward to attending

events at the center.

1G PUBLIC HEARING(S)

1H COUNTY MANAGER

1H1

051356 Resolution

RESOLUTION RELATING TO PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, DIRECTING COUNTY MANAGER TO INCLUDE A SEPARATE PROJECT FOR UNFUNDED FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, SYSTEM AND FINISHES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10.5 MILLION WITHIN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SUBORDINATE SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2005 BONDS, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE OTHER IMPLEMENTING DOCUMENTATION [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 051027] [SEE AGENDA ITEM NOS. 7C, 7D AND 8E1A] (County Manager)

Withdrawn

Report: *(See Agenda Item 1H1 Substitute)*

1H1 Substitute

051446 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING UNFUNDED FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT AND UNFUNDED SYSTEM AND FINISHES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10.5 MILLION FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND APPROVING FINANCING OF SUCH COSTS FROM CONVENTION DEVELOPMENT FINANCING [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 051356] (County Manager)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Second: Souto

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Manager Bill Johnson noted Chairwoman Heyman indicated that she would prepare a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners Chairman Joe A. Martinez waive the Board's rules and procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be placed on the May 17, 2005 County Commission agenda.*

1H2

051362 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF FORMAL BID PROCEDURES AND PROVISIONS OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-2.1 AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2-8.4 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, AND AUTHORIZING A NON-EXCLUSIVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO VITAL MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS, LLC AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR WAIVER OF RESOLUTION R-377-04 RELATING TO THE RECONSIDERATION PERIOD (County Manager)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Souto

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Heyman, Jordan

Report: *Assistant County Manager Bill Johnson provided an overview of the foregoing proposed resolution authorizing a non-exclusive Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Vital Management Solutions, LLC and its principal, Ron Austin, for the continuation of professional services for the Performing Arts Center (PAC) Project. Mr. Johnson recommended that Mr. Austin be retained by the County directly through the remainder of the construction on the PAC until December 31, 2006, which was approximately five months following final completion of the Project. He said Mr. Austin currently worked for the County as a sub-consultant under contract to URS, the Program Manager. The key difference would be that instead of making recommendations to the County, Mr. Austin would be empowered to make decisions which would expedite work daily in the field. Mr. Johnson said no additional funding allocation was necessary.*

In response to Commissioner Gimenez' inquiry regarding the PAC Project, Mr. Ron Austin, Principal, Vital Management Solutions, LLC, stated he was reasonably confident that this Project would be completed within the budget established by the County Commission.

Assistant County Manager Johnson assured the Committee members that County Manager George Burgess had no interest in requesting additional funds from the County Commission for the Project.

Commissioner Gimenez noted he was impressed with the quality of the PAC Project and he complimented Mr. Austin and the PAC team on its progress.

Commissioner Souto stated the County

Administration must convey to the community that the PAC was being finalized and was a quality product. He noted the public should be invited to visit the Project.

Vice-Chairman Moss requested that Assistant County Manager Johnson provide the Committee with a report on planned improvements to complement the area surrounding the PAC Project.

Assistant County Manager Johnson noted the planned improvements were a collaborative effort with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), the City of Miami, District 6, the CRA District and the surrounding homeowners. He noted much of this effort was led by Mr. Michael Hardy and the PAC Trust. Mr. Johnson said he would provide a report at the next Committee meeting.

Assistant County Manager Bill Johnson noted Chairwoman Heyman indicated that she would prepare a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners Chairman Joe A. Martinez waive the Board's rules and procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be placed on the May 17, 2005 County Commission agenda.

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

050787 Ordinance

Sen. Javier D. Souto

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 26-33 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY RELATING TO THE PROGRAMMING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM; IMPOSING IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS AND REQUIRING PROOF OF LEGAL IMMIGRANT STATUS ON PERSONS VOLUNTEERING AND WORKING FOR PROGRAMMING PARTNERS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Amended

Report: *(See Agenda Item 2A Amended, Legislative File No. 051536)*

2A Amended

051536 Ordinance**Sen. Javier D. Souto**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 26-33 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY RELATING TO THE PROGRAMMING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM; IMPOSING IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS AND REQUIRING PROOF OF LEGAL IMMIGRANT STATUS ON PERSONS VOLUNTEERING AND WORKING FOR PROGRAMMING PARTNERS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 050787]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Mover: Souto

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

Report: *Commissioner Souto provided an overview of the foregoing proposed ordinance.*

Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz noted the current permits required background checks for all volunteers and coaches working at County park facilities. He noted the additional requirements in the proposed ordinance were proof of legal immigrant status in the United States and an official work permit. Mr. Munoz said the additional cost would be cost associated with these additional requirements.

Responding to questions from Vice-Chairman Moss, Ms. Vivian Donnell Rodriguez, Director, Park and Recreation Department, stated she did not have the specific cost associated with the background checks as the cost would be borne by the programming partners. Referring to the immigrant status requirement, Ms. Donnell Rodriguez said the programming partners would have to work through federal agencies to determine legal status or require that the coaches provide them with proof of legal status. She noted the volunteers would need to provide the programming partner with a residency card or some other proof of legal residency before they could volunteer.

Following discussion among the Committee members on the foregoing ordinance, Commissioner Seijas proposed that this ordinance be amended to delete the official work permit requirement. Commissioner Souto, sponsor of the ordinance, accepted the amendment.

Assistant County Manager Munoz advised that the legal immigrant status requirement remained and the official work permit requirement was removed.

Ms. Donnell Rodriguez and Assistant County Manager Munoz responded to Commissioner Gimenez' inquiry regarding the criteria for exclusion from the Programming Partnership Program which included substance abuse, family violence and crimes of moral turpitude.

2B

051096 Resolution**Sally A. Heyman**

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING FEE WAIVER FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE APRIL 17, VICTIM RESPONSE, INC.'S RIDING FOR JUSTICE EVENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$495.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 4 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Heyman, Jordan

2C

050772 Resolution**Dennis C. Moss**

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE MARCH 12, 2005 HOMESTEAD MAIN STREET INTERNATIONAL DANCE FESTIVAL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,616.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 9 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Souto

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

2D

050965 Resolution**Rebeca Sosa**

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING FEE WAIVER FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE APRIL 18, 2005 AMIGOS TOGETHER FOR KIDS, INC.'S BLUE RIBBON EVENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE COUNTYWIDE IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Souto

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

2E

051131 Resolution**Rebeca Sosa**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FEE WAIVER FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI'S JUNE 10, 2005, JULY 1, 2005, JULY 15, 2005 AND JULY 29, 2005 SUMMER CAMP FIELD TRIPS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$520.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 6 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Souto

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Heyman, Jordan

2F

051349 Resolution**Jose "Pepe" Diaz**

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 256-05 TO RETROACTIVELY APPROVE THE PROVISION OF IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE FEBRUARY 25, 2005 EUGENIA B. THOMAS ELEMENTARY FCAT PEP RALLY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3962.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 12 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Souto

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Heyman, Jordan

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

051094 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF TWENTY-THREE (23) GRANTS FROM THE FY2004-2005 THIRD QUARTER TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ROOM TAX PLAN AND SURTAX CATEGORY TO PROMOTE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURISM WITH: ART CIRCUITS - GALLERY GUIDE & MAPS CORPORATION; CITY THEATRE, INC.; COCONUT GROVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE; FANM AYISYEN NAN MIYAMI, INC.; FLORIDA DANCE ASSOCIATION; GALATA HAITIAN CULTURE ENRICHMENT & SELF EMPOWERMENT, INC.; GREATER MIAMI BILLFISH TOURNAMENT; HAITIAN AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.; INFINITO ART & CULTURAL FOUNDATION; LUMANA GLOBAL CORPORATION F/A SUSTAIN-A-VILLAGE; MERRICK FESTIVAL, INC.; MIAMI BACH SOCIETY, INC.; MIAMI DESIGN PRESERVATION LEAGUE; MIAMI GAY & LESBIAN FILM FESTIVAL, INC.; MIAMI LIGHT PROJECT, INC.; MIAMI MOMENTUM DANCE COMPANY, INC.; MIAMI/BAHAMAS GOOMBAY FESTIVAL IN COCONUT GROVE, INC.; MIACHAEL-ANN RUSSELL JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER; PATRONS OF EXCEPTIONAL ARTISTS, INC.; SOSYTE KOUKOUY OF MIAMI F/A MUSIFEST, INC.; SUNRISE COMMUNITY PROMOTIONS, INC.; THE UNCONSERVATORY, INC.; ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF FLORIDA; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOLLOWING COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL OF FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Souto

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

3B

051097 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT'S FIVE YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE YEARS 2005-2009 (Library Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Souto

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

3C

051260 Resolution

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE APPROVED FY 2004-05 ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS TO RESCIND FUNDING FOR THE SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT GRANTS; INCLUDE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS INADVERTENTLY NOT INCLUDED IN THE FY 2004-05 FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS; AND TO ALLOCATE UNALLOCATED FY 2004-05 DISTRICT RESPONSIVE GRANTS FOR DISTRICTS 9, 11, 12 AND 13 AS PART OF FY 2005-06 DISTRICT RESPONSIVE GRANT CYCLE (Office of Strategic Business Management)

Withdrawn**Mover: Gimenez****Seconder: Moss****Vote: 4-0****Absent: Jordan, Heyman**

Report: *Vice-Chairman Moss stated the foregoing proposed resolution would be withdrawn; however, he would allow Ms. Ana Someillan to address the Committee.*

Ms. Ana Someillan, Executive Director, Adult Mankind Organization (AMO), appeared before the Committee and expressed concern regarding the Summer Youth Employment Program contract. She said last year, AMO was awarded this contract through the Alliance for Human Services and accomplished the goals and objectives established by the County. Ms. Someillan noted she recently received notification that this contract would not be renewed because the County Commission decided the Program would be administered by the Department of Human Services and the reason for the shift was the administrative cost associated with the contract. She stated the service providers who were awarded these funds knew the community and had an extensive relationship with employers who could provide positive experiences.

Vice-Chairman Moss suggested that Ms. Someillan address the other committees that would be considering this resolution. He noted other organizations might have expressed concerns similar to AMO if they knew the County would be administering and operating the Summer Youth Employment Program.

3D

051299 Resolution

RESOLUTION OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A GRANT
AGREEMENT WITH THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD
PARKS BOND PROGRAM FOR 43 SERIES 2005
SPECIFIED/PER CAPITA PROJECTS (Park & Recreation
Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a
favorable recommendation*
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Souto
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Jordan, Heyman

3E

051300 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING PRIORITY FOCUS AREAS,
EVALUATION CRITERIA, AND SOLICITATION
DOCUMENTS FOR FY 2005-2006 COUNTY FUNDING
OF COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE
PARK PROGRAMMING, IMPROVEMENTS AND
LIBRARY INFORMATION ACCESS SERVICES
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (Park & Recreation
Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a
favorable recommendation*
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Souto
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Heyman, Jordan

3F

051424 Resolution

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S
ACTION IN APPLYING FOR \$56,150 IN GRANT FUNDS
FROM THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
FOR THE HOMESTEAD BAYFRONT MARINA
CHANNEL MARKERS RELOCATION AND FURTHER
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS
DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS, AND
EXECUTE AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED (Park &
Recreation Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a
favorable recommendation*
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Souto
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Heyman, Jordan

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agenda, Assistant County Attorney Monica
Maldonado noted Chairwoman Heyman indicated
that she would prepare a memorandum requesting
that the Board of County Commissioners
Chairman Joe A. Martinez waive the Board's
rules and procedures to allow the foregoing
proposed resolution to be placed on the May 17,
2005 County Commission agenda.*

3G

051426 Resolution

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S ACTION IN APPLYING FOR \$1,135,000 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT FOR HAULOVER MARINA, DREDGING, SEAWALL, DOCK, PIERS AND WETSLIPS AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS, AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED (Park & Recreation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Souto

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

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3H

051427 Resolution

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S ACTION IN APPLYING FOR \$161,700 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT FOR THE PELICAN HARBOR FISHING PIER AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS, AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED (Park & Recreation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Souto

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Heyman, Jordan

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051428 Resolution

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S ACTION IN APPLYING FOR UP TO \$900,000 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT FOR BLACK POINT MARINA ELECTRICAL UPGRADES AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS, AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED (Park & Recreation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Souto

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

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4 CLERK OF THE BOARD

4A

051316 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 13, 2005 (Clerk of the Board)

Report Received

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Souto

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

5 REPORTS

5A

051148 Report

SUNSET REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARDS FOR 2005 - PERFORMING ARTS CENTER TRUST (County Manager)

Report Received

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Souto

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

5B

051305 Report

PARK DEDICATIONS, GROUNDBREAKING
CEREMONIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS (County Manager)

Report Received

Mover: Gimenez

Second: Souto

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Heyman

5C

051317 Report

ORAL REPORT RE: TAXI STANDS IN MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY PARKS (County Manager)

Report Received

Report: *Ms. Vivian Donnell Rodriguez, Director, Park and Recreation Department, made an oral report on the viability of taxi stands within Miami-Dade County parks, pursuant to Commissioner Souto's request. She said representatives from the Parks Department met with the county attorneys and staff from the Taxi Division of the Consumer Services Department (CSD) to discuss the viability of the proposed program. Ms. Donnell Rodriguez noted during discussions with the county attorneys, it was determined that allowing taxi stands within parks was a commercial use subject to Article 6, and a public park purpose must be established in order to allow the proposed use in the park. Results of an informal survey conducted by staff indicated that the number of weekly calls for taxicabs from parks would be minimal, she noted. Ms. Donnell Rodriguez said staff considered conducting a pilot program which would allow the use in one of the County's parks; however, this program was not implemented because it would have required dedicated staff support. She concluded that establishing a public park purpose would be an expensive undertaking as it would require maintaining the pilot program for a reasonable amount of time with dedicated staff to monitor it.*

Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Consumer Services Department (CSD), stated the CSD did not have data regarding taxi use in parks other than the information relayed by Ms. Donnell Rodriguez. She noted the CSD could probably work with the taxi industry if a pilot program was established; however, it would be difficult to assemble information. Ms. Peel said there were an unknown number of taxi stands in Miami-Dade County, and having these stands in County parks would be beneficial to the park users and area residents.

Mr. Diego Feliciano, President, South Florida Taxicab Association, appeared before the Committee in support of taxi stands in County parks.

Commissioner Souto emphasized the need for taxi stands near the parks, noting they could be

potential deterrents against crime and would serve park users and tourists. He noted the taxi stands could be located on the area by the park fence known as swales and a sign could be created by the Public Works Department.

Mr. Gilbert Hernandez, Super Yellow, appeared before the Committee in support of taxi stands in County parks.

Ms. Peel stated the CSD advertised a Request for Proposal (RFP) to perform a taxicab ridership study and the bids were due this Friday (5/13). She noted one aspect of that study was a review of taxicab stands, and the final report would be presented to the CSD no later than March 2006. This RFP would facilitate the CSD in gathering more information regarding the issue of taxi stands in Miami-Dade County, Ms. Peel said.

In response to Commissioner Moss' inquiry, Ms. Peel said the property owner(s) of the property on which the taxi stands were located were responsible for management of the stands.

Ms. Donnell Rodriguez suggested that the Park and Recreation Department wait for the outcome of the study requested by the CSD before proceeding with a plan for taxi stands. She concurred that there was a need for taxi stands; however, she expressed concern regarding custodial issues and potential costs to the Parks Department.

Commissioner Souto requested that representatives of Miami-Dade Police Department meet with him to discuss the proposal to allow taxi stands within County Parks. He also requested input from the Public Works Department and the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau regarding this proposal.

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051328 Report

REPORT RE: STATUS OF THE RFQ NOS. 74 AND 75
FOR GOVERNMENTAL REPRESENTATION AND
CONSULTING SERVICES (Office of Intergovernmental
Affairs)

Withdrawn**Mover: Gimenez****Seconder: Seijas****Vote: 5-0****Absent: Heyman**

Report: *Mr. Joe Rasco, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, advised that he was asked to serve on the Evaluation/Selection Committee to select the firms to represent the County at the federal level. He noted due to scheduling conflicts during the Congressional and Tallahassee Legislative Sessions, the timetable for the oral presentations to the Evaluation/Selection Committee was revised. Mr. Rasco further noted Chairwoman Heyman and County Commission Chairman Joe A. Martinez suggested this process needed to be at a slower pace so that staff could better assess the issues being discussed in Washington.*

Vice-Chairman Moss referred to a memorandum from County Commission Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Chairwoman Heyman in reference to slowing the process. He noted he was inclined to support the request for withdrawal and felt the issue should be further discussed by the County Commission.

Commissioner Seijas spoke in support of withdrawing the foregoing report. She stated she did not recall this issue being discussed in committee or by the County Commission and she felt it was handled inappropriately.

Commissioner Seijas asked Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz to provide her with an explanation as to why the County's federal coordinator was not chosen as a member of the Evaluation/Selection Committee. She also requested that Mr. Rasco work with the Office of the Chair to ensure that commissioners participate on the Evaluation/Selection Committee to select the firms to represent the County at the federal level.

Commissioner Gimenez spoke in support of the foregoing report being withdrawn. He expressed concern regarding the amount of money being spent on contracts for federal and state representation and the number of lobbyists providing these services. Commissioner Gimenez

requested that Mr. Rasco provide the Committee with recommendations for a new organizational structure for the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (OIA) and recommendations on how to address the lobbyist issues. He noted once this was accomplished, the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for federal representation should be advertised.

Vice-Chairman Moss stated those issues would be decided at a later date by the County Commission. He noted the OIA was under the jurisdiction of the Office of the Chair which had broad latitude regarding the OIA's operation. Vice-Chairman Moss asked that the comments placed on the record today, be made available to County Commission Chairman Martinez and Committee Chairwoman Heyman. He asked that Assistant County Manager Munoz request guidance from the Office of the Chair regarding the OIA.

Following further discussion, the Committee withdrew the foregoing report.

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051352 ReportPERFORMING ARTS CENTER UPDATE (County
Manager)**Report Received**

Report: Assistant County Manager Bill Johnson advised that the Performing Arts Center (PAC) construction Project was 80% complete, scheduled to reach final completion by August 4, 2006 and within the authorized budget.

Mr. Ola Aluko, Chief of Construction, PAC, 240 N.E. 13 Street, provided an overview of the PAC's Construction Project. He noted installation of the final roofing would begin in the next week; construction of the Biscayne Boulevard Thoroughfare began two days ago and the artistic brick pavers would be subsequently installed. Mr. Aluko said a major milestone that was accomplished involved the energizing of permanent power in the Ballet Opera House and each component of the air conditioning (AC) unit was being looked at to ensure that it would work throughout the duration of the PAC's tenure. The AC turn-on would facilitate the millwork installation which was anticipated in June/July 2005, Mr. Aluko noted. He said towards the end of this month/early next month, the Concert Hall would receive its permanent AC. Mr. Aluko noted the Project's Architect, Cesar Pelli and Commissioners Barbara Carey-Shuler and Katy Sorenson recently visited the site and expressed satisfaction with the project's progress.

6 ADJOURNMENT

Report: There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.